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born Hill, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co.,
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Francisco.
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GILES & Co. Foochow, THOMPSON &
Co. Shanghai, H. POSE & Co. Ma-
nila, O. KAPLAN & Co.

Arrivals.

Dec. 16, *Glendower*, Brit. barque, 489,
Wilson, Yokohama, Dec. 4, Ballast. — Box-
ing Co. Liverpool.
Dec. 16, *Columbian*, Brit. steamer, 617,
Lonsdale, Shanghai, Dec. 12, General.
— GILMAN & Co.
Dec. 16, *Kwang Tung*, Brit. steamer, 498,
Fitzmaurice, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow,
Dec. 13, 14 and 15, Tea, Treasure and Sun-
dries. — DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Dec. 16, *Costa Rica*, North G. barque,
306, Wunderlich, Chetoo, Dec. 7, General.
— SIEMSEN & Co.
Dec. 16, *Er King*, British steamer, 1044,
Finel, Shanghai, Dec. 12, General. — AV-
COURTIES HARD & Co.

Departures.

Dec. 16, *Douglas*, for Swatow.
16, *Santa Anna*, for Manila.
16, *Japan*, for Yokohama, &c.
16, *Roslin Castle*, for Whampoa.
16, *Macedon*, for Manila.
16, *Rebecca Goddard*, for Saigon.
16, *Hesperus*, for Bangkok.

Passengers.

ARRIVED. — Per *Glendower*, 9 European
deck.
Per *Kwang Tung*, Messrs Weller, Hitch-
cock, Blackwood, Bush, Passanelli, L. de
Claperton, and 80 Chinese deck.
Per *Er King*, Messrs Godall, Grimaldi,
Sherrin, Shawcross (Japanese), A. Fonseca,
W. H. Judd, and 63 Chinese.

Shipping Reports.

The *S. S. "T. A. GIBB"*, from Singapore, re-
ported December 15th, Sunday, at 40 a.m.,
from the Straits, with fine weather, 13th,
Monday, 9 a.m., off the White Dog; latter
part light variable wind from N.W. to
N.E. and fine weather; 15th, Wednesday,
Noon, arrived at Hongkong, making the
run down in 74 hours.

The British barque *Glendower*, from Yo-
kohama, reports fine weather and moder-
ate N.E. wind and fine weather all the passage;
then strong N.E. monsoon till arrival.

The British steamer *Columbian*, from
Shanghai, reports fine weather and moder-
ate N.E. wind and fine weather all the passage.
The steamships *Er King* and
China, were going to leave Shanghai on
13th inst. for Hongkong. The steamer
Yesso arrived at Shanghai on 12th inst.
from the North, passed steamer *Tiwas*
going up the river; the ship *Bemah* at
anchor in the river bound up.

The steamship *Kwang Tung*, reports,
having left Foochow on the 13th, Amoy
14th, and Swatow 15th; experienced moder-
ate N.E. wind and fine weather all the
passage down. Passed steamship *Formosa*
off Rees Islands on the night of the 14th.
H.M.S. *Perseus* was in Swatow when the
Kwang Tung left.

New Advertisements.

UNION DOCK COMPANY
OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA
LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Ordinary Annual Meeting of the
Shareholders in the above Company
will be held at the Company's Office, in the
Hongkong Hotel building, on FRIDAY,
the 18th day of December next, at noon, to
receive the report and accounts, and elect
Directors for the ensuing year in the place
of those who retire in conformity with the
provisions of the articles of association.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, December 12, 1866. de26

BELLEVUE HOUSE.
PRIVATE BOARD AND LODGING
ESTABLISHMENT.
Hollywood Road, No. 6, next to the
Hotel d'Europe, lately Mrs VINTON'S.
CHARLES F. SEABURG.
Hongkong, December 4, 1866.

As the Undersigned intends leaving Hong-
kong in a short time, those desiring his
services will address him at once.
J. S. BURLINGHAM,
Surgeon Dentist.
Hotel d'Europe, December 3, 1866.

LOTTERY.
TWO DRAWING-ROOMS SELF-ACTING ORGANS.
HE above are very fine instruments,
and an Ornament to a Drawing-Room.
100 chances at \$5 each. They are on view
on the premises, 38 and 40, Wellington
street, up to the date of drawing—24th
December, 1866, at 1 o'clock p.m., provid-
ing the lottery be filled up.
First prize, large Organ; second, small
one.
F. DA CUNHA & Co.
Hongkong, December 7, 1866.

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.
NOTICE.
ALL Orders for Goods Supplied to or
work done for the Hotel must be
signed by the Secretary of the Company.
The Company will not undertake to pay
for any Goods Supplied without such
Order.
By order of the Board of Directors,
G. L. NODDON DAVIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 27, 1866. de26

HONGKONG HOTEL.
THIS HOTEL will be conducted under a
new arrangement commencing on the
1st of December. The Charges for Board
will remain as follow:
Board, \$45 a month. Tiffin only, \$15 a
month. Dinners only, \$30 a month. One
Breakfast or one Tiffin, 80 cents. One
Dinner, \$1.25.
There is an excellent assortment of wines
for sale at moderate prices.
The Charges for Lodging will be very
considerably reduced. Rooms are offered
to monthly lodgers at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40,
or \$45 a month.
Occasional Visitors are charged \$4 a day
for their Rooms with or without board.
There is an ample supply of Bathrooms,
and Gas is laid on throughout the house.
Hongkong, November 27, 1866. de26

NOTICE.
ALL Persons having claims against the
Estate of the late JOHN CLARK, de-
ceased, sitting Assistant Surveyor General,
are requested to send in particulars of same
on or before the 31st day of December
next, to
F. I. HAZELAND,
Solicitor.
Supreme Court House.
Hongkong, November 20, 1866. de31

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg
to call attention to their new
GOODS for the Season, received per
recent arrivals.

For Christmas Tables.

Mince Meat, Muscatels, Figs.
Raisins, Crystallised Fruits.
Currants, Plum Puddings.
Oranges, Lemon and Citron Peel.
Fricassee of Grenouilles.
Pock Cutlets, Truffled Sausages.
Whitebait, Venison, Salmon.
Truffles, Vanilla, Bonbons.
Prunes, Dessert Fruits.
Roso Water Crackers.
Cheddar, Albert and Stilton Cheeses.
A Boar's Head.
Krug's Champagne.
Glenlivet Whiskey.
Ports, Sherries, Bass.
Liqueurs in great variety.
Oils and Stores of first rate quality.
&c., &c., &c.

For the Children.

A splendid assortment of Toys.
Christmas Tree Ornaments.
Games and Books of Games.
Illustrated Gift Books.
Roughing Horses—Dragées.
A Child's Swing.

For Christmas and New Year's

Gifts.
Parian Statuettes.
Perfume Cases.
Dressing Cases.
Writing Cases.
Flower Vases.
Richly-bound and Illustrated Books.
Stereoscopes, Slides and Boxes.
Fancy boxes of Bonbons.
Photographic Albums.
Cigar Magazines and Cases.
Pipes and Cigar Tubes.
&c., &c., &c.

In General New Stock.

Sporting Gear of all kinds.
Shooting Coats and Boots.
Racing and other Saddlery and
Whips.
Mantelpieces, Grates, Fenders and
Irons.
Overland Trunks, Railway Valises.
Cricket Sets, Athletic Gear.
Fetters and Brushes.
Wall-papers in large variety.
Sheet Lead, Stomach-plasters.
Electro-Plate in good selection.
A large Invoice of Standard Works.
Novels, Books on Athletics, &c.
Fashionable Collars, Ties & Scarves.
Carpetts, Rugs, and Curtains.
Sticks and Umbrellas.
Tweeds, Coatings and Flannels.
&c., &c., &c.
Many other reasonable GOODS.
Hongkong, December 9, 1866. de3

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that a GEN-
ERAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the HONGKONG HOTEL COM-
pany, Limited, will be held at the Com-
pany's Hotel, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
on TUESDAY, the 20th December, 1866,
at half-past Two p.m., to receive the Re-
port and Accounts and elect Directors for
the ensuing year.
At the conclusion of the above Meeting
an Extraordinary Meeting will be held to
consider the advisability of altering No. 38
of the Articles of Association.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. LANGDON DAVIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 28, 1866. de29

Entertainments.

73rd REGIMENT THEATRICALS.
BAND AMATEUR SOCIETY.
BY the kind permission of Lieut. Colonel
G. J. BUNNE,
The Members of the above will perform
at the
GARRISON THEATRE,
North Bazaar,
on
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,
The 16th and 18th December, 1866.
The Grand Comic Operatic Extravaganza,
BY
Messrs A. HALLIDAY and F. LAWRENCE,
Entitled
KENILWORTH,
OR
YE QUEEN, YE EARLE, AND YE MAYDENMAY.
Queen Elizabeth, Mr. E. MALONE.
Earle of Leicester, Mr. G. INGMAN.
Amy Robert, Miss LORRY MAGILL.
Walker Raleigh, Mr. F. W. BARTLEY.
Trevelian, Mr. T. H. BARNARD.
Duke of Sussex, Mr. W. SKOW.
Janet, Miss M. G. MACKAY.
Wayland Smith, Mr. J. BULL.
Michael Lambourne, Mr. W. DUFFORD.
Tony Foster, alias "Mr. T. ANDREW."
Fire the Fagot, Mr. T. HARDING.
Giles Gooling, Mr. T. HARDING.
To conclude with the laughable Farce in
one act,
JOHN COURTNEY, Esq.,
Entitled
TWO BOYS.
Colonel Bumpus, Mr. G. INGMAN.
Jack Bumpus, Mr. T. ANDREW.
Thomas Pelt, Mr. J. BULL.
Peter Pelt, Mr. W. C. WHITMAN.
Waiter, Mr. F. W. BARTLEY.
James, Mr. G. HENRY.
Caroline Leslie, Miss M. G. MACKAY.
Miss Amelia Fitz, Miss AMY SNOW.
herbert Nibble, Miss LUCY BEDFORD.
Mary, Miss ELEN QUINNIVAN.
Orchestra by the remainder of the Band.
(PRICES OF ADMISSION.)
Reserved Seats, \$2.00.
Front Seats, 1.00.
Back Seats, 0.30.
Tickets to be had from the Manager at
Murray Barracks and at the Door of the
Theatre on the Night of Performance.
Doors open at half-past 8; Performance
to commence at 9 precisely.
Manager, T. H. BARNARD.
VIVAT REGINA.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction on
THURSDAY,
the 17th December, 1866, at 12 o'clock,
at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank
Buildings,
10 doz. boxes Mathematical Instru-
ments.
12 doz. assorted Essences for the
Handkerchief.
12 doz. assorted Essences for the
Handkerchief, in bottles, with
compa.
24 doz. assorted Essences for the
Handkerchief, in bottles, with
Thermometer.
50 doz. Lavender Water.
10 sets Table Cutlery.
50 doz. Sailor's Knives.
100 gross patent safety Watches.
20 doz. cards Children's Knives,
Forks and Spoons.
20 boxes Fancy Soap.
25 boxes Yellow Soap.
20 doz. Day and Martin's Blacking.
50 kegs Iron Nails assorted.
20 pieces white Flannel.
5 cases Sardines.
A few superior Spirit Lamps.
3 cases Gold Stone.
20 barrels Allsopp's Beer.
An assortment of Tumblers and Wine
Glasses.
And,
Balance of an Invoice of Hosiery, com-
prising—
50 doz. Men's white Lambwool
Hose.
50 doz. Men's white Cotton & Hose.
50 doz. Women's white Cotton Hose.
12 Saxony Quilts.
50 doz. fancy striped worsted Hose.
100 doz. Girl's white Cotton Hose,
assorted sizes.
TERMS of SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7/17.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 15, 1866. de17

Auctions.

H. B. M. Gunboats "HARDY" and
"DRAKE" will be
SOLD BY AUCTION,
at the NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, on
TUESDAY,
the 9th February, 1868, (unless previously
disposed of by private agreement).
The *Hardy* is of 235 tons and 60 h. power.
The *Drake* "238"
The following are the articles to be sold
with each vessel, viz—
With the "Hardy,"
Hull complete.
No masts or yards.
2 Anchors.
1124 Fathoms Cable.
Awnings complete, with Iron Stan-
dards.
Davit for 2 Boats.
1 Dugy, 14 feet.
4 Oars and Avoing.
2 Downton's Pumps (1 complete).
A pair of 30 Horse Power high pressure
engines by Messrs. MAUDSLAY, SOHNS AND
FRIEDY, in fair working order. A set of 8
boilers, considerably worn but repairable.

Spare Gear.
Cylinder Cover, 1 in No.
Cross Head, 1 "
Eccentric Ring, 1 "
Piston and Rod, 1 "
Propeller (brass), 1 "
Rod connecting, complete, 1 "
Feed pump rod, 1 "
Bilge do. do, 1 "
Slide do. do, 1 "
Guide blocks, 2 "
With the "Drake,"
Masts complete.
Yards do.
Rigging do.
1 Anchor.
100 Fathoms Cable.
Awnings complete.
Davit for 3 boats.
1 Dugy, 14 feet.
2 Oars.
2 Downton's Pumps.
All standing Sails, but square foresail.
A 40 Horse Power high pressure engine
by Messrs. PENN AND SONS, in good work-
ing order.
The boilers of this vessel have been taken
out.
Spare Gear.
Cylinder Cover, 1 in No.
Eccentric Ring (brass), 1 "
Piston, 1 "
do. Rod, 1 "
Plumber-block brasses, 1 pair.
Propeller (brass), 1 in No.
Rod connecting, complete, 1 "
Feed pump rod, 1 "
Bilge do. do, 1 "
Slide do. do, 1 "
Guide block, 1 "
A. H. PRICE,
Naval Storekeeper.
Hongkong, November 27, 1866. feb9

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF
DOLLARS.
COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman, GEORGE JOHN HELLAND, Esq.
Deputy Chairman, GEO. F. HEARD, Esq.
W. H. FORBES, Esq. JAMES B. TAYLOR, Esq.
SOLOMON D. SASSOON, Esq.
WILLIAM LEMANN, Esq.
JAS. P. DUNCANSON, Esq.
JULIUS MENNER, Esq. RICHARD ROWETT, Esq.
And
E. R. BELLIOS, Esq.
Managers.
Hongkong, VICTOR KRESSER, Esq.
Chief Manager.
Shanghai, DAVID MACLEOD, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County
Bank.

HONGKONG.
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate
of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily
balances.
On Fixed Deposits.—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "
LOCAL RULES DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, June 17, 1866.

HONGKONG HOTEL.
HAIR DRESSING SALOON.
OPEN from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. Sundays,
8 to 12 A.M., for any Gentlemen who
may feel the necessity of having any tonsorial
operation performed.
W. P. MOORE.
Hongkong, December 8, 1866. jan8

LOST.
THIS morning, between Messrs SIEMSEN
& Co.'s, along the Quay to the Macao
Steamer and back through Queen's Road,
a Pocket BOOK, containing a \$25 and a 5
Dollar Note, as also a Charter-party of the
British barque "Marie." A Reward will
be paid on returning the same to Messrs
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, November 21, 1866.

Shipping.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA (Direct.)
THE P. & O. S. N. Co. steam-ship
"SULTAN,"
will leave for the above place at Noon on
FRIDAY, the 18th inst.
W. MACAULAY,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 10, 1866. de18

FOR YOKOHAMA DIRECT.
The steam-ship
"SHATESBURY,"
Captain ARTHUR, will leave
for the above port, on
Sunday morning next, the
20th inst., at daylight.
For Freight, &c., apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, December 16, 1866. de20

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.**
The British steamer
"T. A. GIBB,"
Capt. GARDNER, will be des-
patched for the above ports,
on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 2 P.M.
Despatches will close at 1 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1866. de22

FOR SAIGON.
The A. 1 North German barque
"JOHANNA MATHILDE,"
Captain LONAS, will have quick
despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, December 11, 1866.

FOR SINGAPORE.
The American Barque
"DESPATCH,"
Captain JONES, will have quick
despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, December 9, 1866. de24

FOR SYDNEY (DIRECT.)
The British Barque
"MELROSE,"
Captain KINDEEN, will have
quick despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, December 9, 1866. de24

FOR NEW YORK.
The A. 1 British ship
"LOUISA,"
Capt. LANSBORN, will load here
and at Whampoa, and have
quick despatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 12, 1866.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The N. German barque
"ALBATROSS,"
Capt. OKEN, will have quick
despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, December 16, 1866. de25

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A. 1 British ship
"KEOAK,"
of 532 Tons Register.
For Particulars, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, December 4, 1866. de26

FOR NEW YORK.
The A. 1 American barque
"STEELING,"
(built in 1866.)
of 468 Tons Register, HADDING,
Master, having the greater portion of her
cargo engaged, will load here, and at
Whampoa, and have early despatch for the
above port.
For Freight, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, October 20, 1866. de27

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
To follow the "Marie."
The British ship
"GOLDEN HORN,"
Captain RICH, will have early
despatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 2, 1866.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A. 1 British ship
"ROSLIN CASTLE,"
JAS. ALEXANDER, Master, of
644 tons Register.
For particulars, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 21, 1866. de21

FOR NAGASAKI.
The A. 1 British schooner
"CITY OF NIAGARA,"
MITCHELL, Master, having en-
gaged the larger portion of her
Cargo, will meet with quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, November 28, 1866. de28

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The N. G. barque
"MARIE,"
Captain KINCKE, will have
prompt despatch for the above
port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 2, 1866.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The first class French ship
"LA PLATZ,"
JAS. MASTER, of 444 tons re-
gister.
For particulars, apply to
FREDERICO DEGENAER.
Hongkong, November 2, 1866.

Notices to Consignees.

S.S. "T. A. GIBB," from SINGAPORE,
PENANG & CALCUTTA.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named steamer are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and to take imme-
diate delivery of their Goods. Cotton will
be landed and stored at ship's expense but
shipper's risk in Messrs MORGAN LAMBERT
& Co.'s Godown C, Marine Lot 63, and
delivery may be had any time prior to the
24th inst., after which date Godown rent
will be charged.
G. BERTKAND,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, December 14, 1866. de21

THE following cases have been landed
and stored at the risk and expense of
the Consignees, who are requested to take
immediate delivery.
Ex "Donna," 7th January, 1868.
RT 531. 1 Case Paper.
B Ex "Hooghly," 31st October, 1868.
VO 827. 1 case Arms.
Ex "Imperatrice," 4th Dec. 1868.
Case Paper.
G. BERTKAND,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, December 9, 1866.

"WHITEHALL" from LONDON.
THE above named vessel having arrived
in harbour, Consignees of Cargo are
requested to send in their Bills of Lading
to the Undersigned for countersignature,
and take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, November 23, 1866. de24

"ROSLIN CASTLE" from LONDON.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1866.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
MR C. J. H. SCHRODER, is authorized to
sign our Firm per procuration, from this
date.
SCHWANBECK & THIEL.
Saigon, November 14, 1866. de25

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
WILLIAM NIELSON in our Firm ceased
on the 30th June last.
Mr THOMAS PIM, Mr WILLIAM NISBET
OLMISTED, and Mr H. SEYMOUR GEARY are
authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong
and China from this date.
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, October 6, 1866. de26

NOTICE.
MR C. EMIL BADE has been admitted a
Partner in our Firm here and at
Shanghai from the 1st October, 1866.
EDUARD SORELLI-BASS & Co.
Hongkong, December 5, 1866. de26

I HAVE this day authorized Mr. C.
LANGDON DAVIES to sign my name per
procuration, to all orders for goods supplied
to the Hongkong Hotel, and I alone am
liable to pay for goods supplied upon such
orders.
I have further authorized Mr Davies to
collect all debts due to me on Hotel ac-
count, for which his receipt will be a suffi-
cient discharge.
LEE AFOONG.
Hongkong, December 1, 1866. de27

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day established myself as a
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE AD-
JUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
C. LANGDON DAVIES.
Hongkong, July 1, 1866. de28

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date Mr GEORGE F.
BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the
Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this
Port.
S. L. PHELPS,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

NOTICE.
MR HENRY LESTON DALRYMPLE
is authorized to sign our Firm per
procuration, at Foochow from this date.
BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, June 3, 1866.

NOTICE.
I HAVE established myself at this port as
General Commission Merchant, under
the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER
& Co.
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

NOTICE.
MR RYLE ROLME has been admitted
a partner in our Firm.
GLOVER & Co.
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

No. 1727 -

importance and talking about it. Under these circumstances that H. M. Gumb should proceed to Taiwanfoo, and to place and its Fort. On arrival they of a Hop-Tai with mations were immediately all soldiers to quit was sent to the Republic.

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and inconvenience in
business will thereby be

CONDENTS.
to all who wish to
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be responsible for the
contents.
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by the name of the
for publication, but as
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NA MAIL.

AY, DEC. 16, 1868.

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know, as given in
this be true, the
we learn from
of Li Hung chang's
will have more
and the Regiments
yet see "active"

EXPEDITION TO EAST.

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expedition cannot overvalue; a know-
ledge of any of the local dialects will be
more or less useful to other sections of
the expedition as a means of communi-
cating with artisans and labourers, but
we would urge strongly the appointment
of an adept in the official language of
the country to assist in the diplomatic
service to be performed.

After the termination of the labors of
the expedition in China and Japan, the
corvette *Archduke Frederic* will remain
in these waters for the protection of
Austrian interests; her presence will no
doubt have all the effect desired, but we
must lament the tendency of European
Governments to send large and ponder-
ous vessels of war to China, where small
gunboats of light draught would be in-
finitely more useful. The other vessel,
the *Donau*, will go on to Valparaiso with
a view to the conclusion of a Treaty with
the Republic of Chili, a service which
was being performed by Baron Willer-
storf of *Novara* in the year
1859, but the conclusion of which was
prevented by the war which broke out
with Italy, and the consequent sudden
departure of the *Novara*. Treaties are
then to be made with Uruguay and
Paraguay, countries having a rapidly
increasing trade with Austria, and where
more Austrians reside than in the whole
of Eastern Asia.

The frigate *Donau*, of 32 guns, has
reduced her armament to fourteen twenty-
four pounder rifled steel guns, the
commandant of the battery being Baron
Minutello, who was formerly aide-de-camp
to Vice Admiral Tegenhaff, and was,
while holding that appointment, wounded
in the battle of Lissa; this reduction of
armament has been necessitated in order
to provide room for suitable accommoda-
tion for the principal officers, and for
libraries, conference rooms, and other
apartments suitable to the peculiar ser-
vices required of the various departments
of the expedition. On board this vessel
are shipped the presents for the Kings of
Siam and the Mikado of Japan, amongst
which is a full-sized statue of the Em-
peror of Austria, sculptured in Carrara
marble by Caver of Rome, a private
present from the Emperor Francis Joseph
to the first King of Siam; the war office
contributes specimens of various descrip-
tions of guns and other weapons, and
the leading manufacturers of Austria,
such as Hegebach, the glass manufac-
turer at Vienna, and Liebig Brothers,
iron manufacturers of Reichenberg, have
at their own cost contributed articles of
considerable value in elucidation of their
respective fabrics.

On board the *Archduke Frederic*, ac-
commodation has been provided for the
Commissioners, and other civilians, who
will ultimately be joined by more who
will make their journey by the overland
or some other route, so as to enlarge the
field of observation, and embrace in the
work of expedition an inspection of the
works of the Suez Canal.

We hope and believe that this expedi-
tion, prepared with so much forethought,
and aiming at so much and such varied
good, will be attended with highly
advantageous results, politically, scienti-
fically, and commercially, not only to
Austria, but to the whole world.

COLLISION BETWEEN THE CHI- NESE AND BRITISH IN FORMOSA.

We have received the following from a
correspondent at Takow. Other letters,
containing further particulars, have also
reached us. Affairs in Formosa are as-
suming a serious aspect; but we with-
hold comment until to-morrow, when the
other details in our possession shall be
published. Our correspondent, whose
letter is dated Takow, Dec. 4, says:—

Sir,—As it may be interesting to some
of your subscribers and to the general
public to receive an account of the late
occurrences here, I venture to trouble you
with a brief statement of what has taken
place.

For the past nine months the local gov-
ernment has unnecessarily persecuted mem-
bers of the foreign community, plundered
merchants of their property, taken their
Chinese employes prisoners—fired on them
in their houses, destroyed Missionaries'
houses and murdered their catechists and
in the most flagrant way violated both the
letter and spirit of the treaty.

To the remonstrances of former Consuls
they paid no regard whatever, and on Mr.
Gibson, our present Consul, taking charge,
they refused to recognise him. He found
it necessary to apply for aid to the Naval
authorities, and at length with the assistance
of H. M. S. *Leopold*, Captain Lord Chas.
Scott, he obtained promises of redress, and
the Taotai of Amoy, Tsing, was sent over
to Taiwan, nominally to settle the mat-
ter—the *Leopold* in the meantime having
proceeded elsewhere, and H. M. gunboats
Albatross and *Bustard* being sent to Taiwan.
On the 17th November, Taotai Tsing had
an interview with Mr. Gibson in which it
was plainly shown that he either had no
powers at all, or that they were useless for
any other purpose than merely investigating
the crimes of the local Government. When
Mr. Gibson spoke of redress, he simply
laughed off the question, and said that with
regard to the claims that had been made,
they were in his opinion of very little im-
portance, and few of them were worth
taking about.

Under these circumstances it was decided
that H. M. gunboats *Albatross* and *Bustard*
should proceed to Amoy, the port of
Taiwan, and take possession of that
place and its Port, Zelandia, as a reprisal.
On arrival they found the town in charge
of a *Hep-Tai* with a few men, and pro-
clamations were immediately posted directing
all soldiers to quit the place, and a message
presented to the *Hep-Tai* desiring him to leave

also, as Amoy was to be considered in
British possession until all claims on the
local Government should be settled.

On the 22nd, Mr. Gibson returned to
Takow in the *Bustard*, leaving the *Albatross*
in charge of Amoy, and Lieut. Gordon,
commanding this gunboat, then went on
shore and informed the *Hep-Tai* that he
must leave within 24 hours, and at the
same time told the commander of a heavily
armed war-junk lying close to the Town
that she must leave or be taken. A severe
gale set in that evening, which lasted till
the 24th November, rendering communi-
cation with the shore impossible, but on
that day (the 24th) the *Hep-Tai* not having
left, Lieut. Gordon again went on shore
and desired him to go, and the war junk
having also remained, she was boarded and
taken as a security.

In the afternoon some of the principal
Chinese merchants came off to the *Albatross*
and requested that the *Hep-Tai* should be
allowed to remain, and were informed that
unless a sum of \$50,000 was deposited with
Lieut. Gordon as a guarantee, that all Mr.
Gibson's demands should be acceded to,
the town of Amoy would be taken possession
of the next afternoon and the *Hep-Tai*
taken prisoner.

On the morning of the 25th, trustworthily
intelligence being received that the place
was being strongly fortified, and had been
reinforced by 500 men, a despatch was
sent to the *Hep-Tai*, telling him that unless
he sent away the troops, and ceased to
mount any more guns, Amoy would be
fired upon, and the inhabitants were told
at the same time to abandon the town, as
the assault would commence at 3 P.M.

No answers being received, the batteries
and fort were shelled at the time named,
the town being spared, and at midnight
although it was blowing hard and a high
sea running, Lieut. Gordon landed with
one officer and twenty-three men and
stormed and took the town.

On breaking into the *Hep-Tai's* Yamen,
the quarter was found full of soldiers who
formed barricades and extinguished the
lights; by the aid of Fortresses, however,
the assailants forced an entry and a hand-
to-hand fight took place. Every effort was
made to induce the soldiers to lay down
their arms but without avail, and on one of
them making a desperate attempt to stab
Lieut. Gordon, the order was given to fire,
whereupon a door in their rear was
immediately fired. Sentries were then
placed, and the men, none of whom had
received a single wound, were allowed a
short rest. At daylight the little force
was concentrated and marched to the gate
leading to a wide plain in front of the town,
where they arrived just in time to meet a
large body of the enemy advancing to retake
Amoy. These troops were led by a man-
darin bearing a yellow flag, and here a
other sharp engagement took place in which
Lieut. Gordon, taking advantage of an
outbankment, completely routed the enemy
without the loss or wounding of a single
man.

The position was then surveyed,
sentries stationed, barricades thrown up,
and a strict watch kept, but the enemy
did not re-appear.

On the 27th Nov. H. M. gunboat *Bustard*
arrived with Mr. Gibson, and Lieut.
Johnson landed with 13 men to reinforce
the *Albatross* crew who were very much
fatigued, having had to keep watch night and
day. An interview then took place between
the Chinese authorities and the Consul and
Commanders of the gunboats—in which the
former promised to accede to all claims,
Amoy remaining in British possession until
such claims were paid.

Some of Mr. Gibson's demands have al-
ready been settled and others are in pro-
cess of settlement, and thus at last owing
to the gentleman's wisdom and determina-
tion and the gallant conduct of Lieut. Gur-
don and the force under his command, has
redress been obtained for a series of flagrant
offences extending over a period of many
months. Had former Consuls acted in a
like manner, such vigorous measures would
probably not have been necessary, although
events may perhaps still have turned out
all for the best, since it is to be hoped that
the treaty-making Mandarins all over Chi-
na have learned a lesson they will not re-
adily forget that there are still Consuls who
know how to uphold the dignity of the
British Government and to care for the in-
terests of British subjects.

LOCAL.

We are glad to note the arrival of the
Diamond Line steamer *United Service* at
one o'clock to-day, as it removes the anxiety
naturally felt on her account. She re-
turned from Mauritius, having broken her
propeller.

The gambling license is, we learn, trans-
ferred to the new licensees (Wohang and
others) this day, but on slightly altered
terms. The annual fee will be \$200,000,
instead of \$220,000 as formerly, but the
same liabilities as to making good losses
remained to have been incurred through
gambling servants, &c., still hold good,
and are guaranteed by the payment, as
before, of the caution money monthly. The
statement that the former licensees wished
to retain the farm is, we understand, with-
out foundation.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

An extraordinary meeting of Sharehold-
ers in the above Company was held this
afternoon at the office of the General
Agents, for the purpose of confirming all or
any resolutions passed at the previous
meeting held on the 1st December—Hon.
Wm. Lewis in the chair. The resolutions
relating to the dissolution and wind-
ing up of the old Company having been
read over, and no dissentient coming for-
ward, the Chairman declared that the
aforesaid resolutions were confirmed and in-
force accordingly.—The Chairman then re-
marked that it would no doubt interest the
shareholders to learn that the applications
for shares in the new Company were wide-
spread and general, and that they could
now rely upon the support of Shanghai and

the northern ports. More applications had
been made than there were shares to allot,
and according to recent advices the appli-
cations would probably reach 3,000, while
only 2,000 shares were available altogether.
The dividend of the old Company would be
payable at the Hongkong Bank on the 31st
instant.—As there was no further business,
the meeting separated.

The *Imperatrice* came off the South Bank
yesterday morning (Dec. 11) and anchored
at Woonan, where she will remain in con-
sequence of her large size and great draft
of water, 22 feet 6 in.—*Express.*

This first of a short series of Concerts was
given at the Club Lusitano last night by
the Italian Opera Company to an apprecia-
tive, though not overcrowded, house. It
was a most unfortunate contretemps for
this talented Company that the first concert
should have taken place at the very time
that most, if not all, of the gay and pleasurable
portion of our community had left to enjoy the festivities which
Canton is at present affording. When the
Canton gaieties are over we hope to see
this Company favored with a crowded house.
We can at least say that lovers of music
will find in the present Company a
"Bonnie Boncho" sufficiently appealing to
make one or two hours pass pleasantly.

The first part of last night's performance
commenced with a duet from Lucia de
Lammermoor, which was rendered with
remarkable precision and finish by
Signors Sabatini and Pellico. Signor
Errani followed with the romance, "La
Stella," which he sang carefully and with
judgment. A duet entitled "Favorita"
was exceedingly well given by Mme. For-
cello and Signor Sabatini—more especially
after the former referred from a slight
nervousness perceptible at first, but which
she quickly mastered. Mme. Forcello's
appearance was a signal for enthusiastic ap-
plause—she sang "Home, Sweet Home"
so tastefully and well, that an encore be-
came inevitable; to which she most
graciously acceded by singing with much
pathos "Sweet Home, hear my prayer," ac-
companied herself on the piano.

The second part opened with the roman-
ce "Lei non M'amava" by Madame
Forcello, followed by the grand duet,
"Maandieri," by Madame Forcello and
Signor Errani, both of which were given
with much effect. Signor Pellico, amidst
repeated bursts of applause again sang in
really beautiful style. After repeated calls
this gentleman again made his appearance,
and was equally successful in the manner in
which he gave an Italian National Air.
Two more duets followed, one of which
was very ably sustained by Madame For-
cello and Signor Pellico; and the other by
Mme. Forcello and Signor Errani, in
which the former sang most sweetly the
duet from *Traviata* which was formerly so
well rendered by Madame Verelli. Then
followed a "Grand Air" from the first act
of the "Ballo in Maschera"—the whole
concluding with "God Save the Queen,"
Madame Forcello singing the solos, assisted
by the Company.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr. May on the Bench.
Ho Kus (shopman) and Ng Aoy (trader)
were charged with having assaulted the
Police while on duty. It appears that the
quarrel arose in a somewhat interesting and
peculiar way. Second defendant and others
were absorbed in a new gambling game,
viz. that of orange-pipe. This is a game
of chance which may not be included in the
Licensed Farmers' Regulations, and may
be briefly described. The Chinese, with
that innate ingenuity which hits upon all
the uncertainties of life upon which to
stake their "cash," lay their money upon
the number of pipes which may be dug out
of a given orange. If the fruit upon ex-
amination contained twenty pipes, the man
who bet that there were more than twenty
or twenty-one gets the stake, while his
partner who may have guessed twenty-five
loses his stake. Second defendant was
therefore engaged with others, gambled on
the *Praya*, in the above-named game, when
Lokong No. 6 interrupted the counting of
the pipes; the pip-men pleaded for leave to
open only the pipe men orange, which was
granted; but after that had been completed,
they continued to remain together, the
loking pushed away the second defendant.
Some one pushed against the lokong, and
the latter was knocked over; upon which
the crowd with a loud voice shouted to
beat the disturber of the pip-counting.
While struggling with the second defend-
ant, first defendant came out of a shop and
pushed lokong, took his staff and threw it
into the Harbor. Lokong, during his hav-
ing used violence; but Mr. May fined first
defendant \$5, and the second defendant \$8.

Charles Ford, an unemployed "sea-
cook," was charged with having made a
disturbance at the Oriental Bank last night.
Ford commenced to hammer at the door of
the Bank about seven o'clock last night,
and the coolie asked him what he wanted.
Ford held out a paper, and the coolie,
thinking it was a note to draw a cheque or
get change for a note, and not realising that
he wanted the very idea of doing business
at that late hour, and ordered him off.
But Ford would not go, until he called his
master, when defendant took to his heels.
The coolie followed him and got him taken
up by a coolieable—Ford, in defence, said
that he was in search of charity, as he was
without food. He had got his discharge
from the *Praya*, and on this day he had
discharge his character was marked "in-
different." His Worship sent Ford to
Goal for one month as a rogue and vagab-
ond.

Lo Aow, a man well known to Mr.
Douglas, of the Bank, was caught running
off with a pair of trousers from the Hill,
yesterday forenoon; and as Mr. Douglas stated
that the prisoner had been frequently in
prison, Mr. May sent the prisoner to Goal
for six months with hard labor, ordered
him to find security for six months there-
after, and said that his deportation would
be a matter for consideration.

A remarkably worded charge appeared on
the sheet this morning, in which a Chinese
school-boy was defendant; he was arraign-
ed by Inspector Kirby for having "destroyed
the caste" of a small Indian boy named
Moosdeen, and this interesting operation
was then commenced by the fact of
throwing a piece of pork fat in the face
of the little Mussulman.—The Chinese boy
pleaded that he was having his "chow
chow," and coming across a piece of pork
which was a little too fat for him, he threw
it away, and it accidentally hit the Mus-
sulman boy; when he threw the fat, he had
not the slightest intention of destroy-
ing anybody's "caste."—Mr. May said
that the religious beliefs of everybody
must be protected; and if he thought

that the Chinese boy had thrown the fat
with the intention of destroying the
Mussulman's caste, he would punish
him severely. It was the first time
he had ever seen a Chinese getting pork too
fat for him; he must remember that others
might think it stupid and foolish for him
(prisoner) to wear a queue, and therefore
might wish to cut it off, though he would
not like it. He would, however, look upon
it as not having been done on purpose, and
fine him only fifty cents.—The Mussulman
boy was then removed, none the worse ap-
parently of the assault upon his religious
beliefs.

Herman A. Klase is one of those marine or
land knaves whose condition forms one of
the most knotty social problems to the un-
initiated and one of the great annoyances to
all with whom officially he has anything to
do. Klase is a Swede, and came to the
Charge Room yesterday, saying he was des-
titute. Inspector Grimes stated that he
had been in the Court once or twice before
for stealing, and appeared to him to be gene-
rally sane.—Defendant said that he came
from Liverpool in the Dutch barque *Adri-
ana Petronella*, from which he was dis-
charged; he was now destitute.—On being
sent to Mr. Holland, Swedish Consul, the
following character from that gentleman
was received:—"Klase is quite an incorri-
gible character, and I will do no work
with him now in China; but so long as the
law remained as it was, he was bound to
lay it clearly before them. He wished that
it might have been otherwise; and if the
slightest act of violence had been made
towards the watchman, or if deceased had
even been armed, it would have given a
different turn to the case altogether.

The inquest concluded at a quarter be-
fore seven o'clock.
Hadje Feroze, the watchman at the Kow-
loon Dock, was brought up on remand, at
the Magistracy to-day (16th) and the same
evidence, more fully detailed, as that
given before the Coroner, was recorded by
Mr. May. Mr. H. C. Caldwell appeared for
the prisoner in his capacity of solicitor for
the Company, and in a cross-examination
elicited many incidental facts bearing upon
the justification of the prisoner. The Police
stationed over at the Docks have their
bayonets fixed, muskets loaded and capped,
and are under orders to fire at the legs of
all suspicious persons, during the night.
The deceased man was so much suspected
by the Police that he would have been ap-
prehended if found any time on the Dock
premises. The case was remanded until
to-morrow. Mr. Caldwell remarked that he
would produce every witness who could
throw any light upon the matter; the fact
of the man's death by means of the pris-
oner's act was clear; and he only intended to
amplify the case as to the incidental cir-
cumstances which would be likely to influ-
ence a Jury.

THE SHOOTING OF A SUPPOSED THIEF AT THE KOWLOON DOCK.

The Coroner's Inquest upon the body of
the Chinaman, name unknown, shot by the
Dock watchman at the Dock early yester-
day morning, was held yesterday after-
noon (15th) at the Civil Hospital. Jurors:—
Messrs F. C. Young, J. W. Terry, and
Francis Francis.

Sikh P. C. Peer Bux stated that, hearing
that he was he went on duty, he went to
the watchman Feroze, who indicated at once
that he shot the man as a Yalliongo; were
about; Feroze said he fired at a number of
thieves, who came to the yard in a boat.
Dr. Cochran stated that, on examination,
he found a number of wounds on the right
hip and thigh and one or two small wounds
on the foot. Two wounds appeared at the
pit of the abdomen, one of which pene-
trated the wall, and several other parts
of the body. On dissection the body was
found to be healthy. Death must have resulted from
the small shot wounds in the abdomen.
The shot went quite through the bowels.
P. C. Gowan recapitulated the facts as
given in our previous notice of the affair,
and added that he had seen the same man
(deceased) about a fortnight before, more
than once in the hut in which he was found.
Deceased was a fisherman; but had no
business in the dock premises. Gowan had
some difficulty in getting a boat to take
deceased to Hongkong. Feroze, the
watchman, did not at first know that he
had shot any one. None of deceased's
companions had returned since. The heap
of coals at the Dock appeared to have been
undisturbed; the witness (Gowan) has had
suspicions of the deceased for some time
of larceny from the dock premises.

Mr. J. M. Emmanuel, bookkeeper at the
Dock, narrated the facts similar to those
above, adding nothing of importance.
Some large lumps of coal were gone, and
coal dust was scattered about. A shot was
fired five nights before at a boat, but mis-
siled. Witness believed that the watchman's
orders are to challenge boats at night, and
in case of obtaining no reply, to fire into
the boats. This was necessary because
they were not safe with their lives over-
board since the death of Kanoo; they had
been threatened to be burned down several
times.

The Coroner remarked that general
threats were scarcely sufficient to justify
the firing into boats after that manner.
Witness continued to say that the watch-
man had been a long time in the employ,
bears a very good character, and is always
at his post.

Feroze, the watchman, having been duly
examined, said that he saw a man belong-
ing to a sampan walking on the wharf at
the Dock at midnight on the 13th. When
near the coal-heap, he cried out to them
three times, and the man on the wharf
then hid himself amongst the Coals. Hav-
ing shown his light, the men in the sampan
jumped overboard, and the watchman fired
his musket and gave the alarm of thieves.
Whether he hit the men on the wharf or
those in the boat he could not say. The
boat disappeared. The constables then
came and asked him why he fired the shot;
and he answered that he did so because
thieves were in the Dockyard. Beyond
that, he did nothing. His orders are when
thieves come and try to steal, or refuse to
answer a hail, to fire into them, and then
give the alarm. These orders were given
before the Police went over there. His mus-
ket is always loaded, but not capped.

The Coroner then charged the jury. He
said that as to the facts of the case, they
were evident enough; and were the duty
of the Coroner's jury simply to decide as to
the cause of death, as was done in *Amica*,
and not to follow that up and state the
culpability of the man who caused the
death, the question would be very enough.
As to the question of culpability, he would
tell them that, in any case of felony with
violence, a private person was perfectly
justified, and was bound, to do his best to
arrest the criminal and bring him to justice;
and if he could not do this by fair means,
he might do it by foul. In a case of rob-
bery, therefore, with violence, the law was
very distinct on the subject; but the killing
of a fellow creature is a last resource, and
by any other means in this case of felony,
there was no force to be used, and no less
there was no such violence present, nothing
would justify the killing of any one. He
was sure that their sympathies, as well
as his own, were with the watchman; but
the law was clear on the subject. Con-
sidering the annoyance to which the people
at the Dock had been put, the danger to
life, the Jury would no doubt be inclined

to look leniently upon the matter; but as
he had laid down the law, they could not,
he thought, fulfil their duty by any other
means than that of manslaughter, and
leave the circumstances to be dealt with in
another and higher Court by and by. They
need not be frightened by the idea of man-
slaughter as a verdict, because although
sometimes it amounted nearly to murder, it
was also punished occasionally by the fine of
only one shilling. However unwilling they
might be, he did not see what other alterna-
tive they had but to bring in a verdict of
manslaughter, if on their oath they believed
that no violence was used by the deceased,
or no arms carried by him in his attempt
to commit a felony. In reply to a juror,
the Coroner said that a watchman was re-
garded by the law as a private person.

After some consideration, the Jury gave
their verdict, which was to the effect that
deceased met his death by a charge of shot
fired by the watchman Hadje Feroze, while
deceased was attempting to steal coal, but
that, as no violence was used in the
attempt to commit the said felony, the
watchman's act amounted to manslaughter.
The Coroner said that he perfectly con-
curred in the verdict of the Jury, and he
would be responsible for the law as he had
laid it down. Now their verdict was given,
he would frankly say that the law was
never made for men like deceased and
others here in China; but so long as the
law remained as it was, he was bound to
lay it clearly before them. He wished that
it might have been otherwise; and if the
slightest act of violence had been made
towards the watchman, or if deceased had
even been armed, it would have given a
different turn to the case altogether.

The inquest concluded at a quarter be-
fore seven o'clock.
Hadje Feroze, the watchman at the Kow-
loon Dock, was brought up on remand, at
the Magistracy to-day (16th) and the same
evidence, more fully detailed, as that
given before the Coroner, was recorded by
Mr. May. Mr. H. C. Caldwell appeared for
the prisoner in his capacity of solicitor for
the Company, and in a cross-examination
elicited many incidental facts bearing upon
the justification of the prisoner. The Police
stationed over at the Docks have their
bayonets fixed, muskets loaded and capped,
and are under orders to fire at the legs of
all suspicious persons, during the night.
The deceased man was so much suspected
by the Police that he would have been ap-
prehended if found any time on the Dock
premises. The case was remanded until
to-morrow. Mr. Caldwell remarked that he
would produce every witness who could
throw any light upon the matter; the fact
of the man's death by means of the pris-
oner's act was clear; and he only intended to
amplify the case as to the incidental cir-
cumstances which would be likely to influ-
ence a Jury.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DESTRUCTION OF TREES.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."
HONGKONG, 16th December, 1868.
Sir,—Can you explain on what principle
it is that valuable Trees which have taken
say 10 or 12 years in growing are now being
removed and cut up for firewood in the
neighbourhood of Spring Gardens.
There is a Chinaman named Ayow who is
superintending this destruction, and he in-
forms me that he has direction from the
Government Gardener, but could show me
no written authority for this piece of work.
He tells me the larger trees he is re-
moving to the neighbourhood of the Pa-
rade Ground, but I observed his men cut-
ting up and actually destroying a valuable
tree of the Mountain Ash kind. Apart
from the injustice to the residents at Spring
Gardens of disfiguring that pretty locality,
it is a great pity that, with the paucity
of trees we have on the island and the diffi-
culty in getting them to grow, any of them
should be destroyed.—Yours faithfully,
—LOOK OOK.

THE NORTH.

We are in receipt of Shanghai files to
the 11th Inst.

IMPORTANT FROM YAKOCHOW.

We learn on undoubted authority that—
"Li Futai, with twenty-five thousand men,
is approaching Yangchow. He declares
that he will kill Mr. Taylor and all his party.
Mr. Consul Medhurst is going up the River."

A PETITION SIGNED BY A NUMBER OF BRITISH SUBJECTS OF CHINESE DESCENT, ON THE SUBJECT OF THE LATE NOTIFICATION OF SIR RUTHERFORD ALCOCK, WITH REFERENCE TO THE DRESS TO BE WORN BY THEM IN THE INTERIOR OF CHINA, WAS PRESENTED AT H. B. M.'S CONSULATE ON THE 9th INSTANT. THE PETITION WAS SIGNED ONLY BY THOSE WHO COULD PRODUCE CERTIFICATES OF THEIR BIRTH IN A BRITISH COLONY.

A Correspondent complains to us of hav-
ing been stopped in the Malin and accused,
in very strong language, of having made
some communications to this paper upon cer-
tain local matters, and having been threat-
ened that Shanghai should be made
"too hot for him," if he continued to do so.
We refrain from doing more than
merely mentioning that the circumstance
has come to our knowledge, and expressing
a hope that no ill advised mode of sup-
pressing public information may not be re-
sorted to.

A case of obtaining goods under false pre-
tences has occurred in the City, which has
attracted considerable attention among the
native population. It seems that a woman
went into a clothes' shop and purchased
under dress &c., asking the shopman to
come with her to her house to obtain the
money. On arriving there, she asked him
to come upstairs; and, after some hesitation
he consented. No sooner had he entered
the room than a man sprang upon him, ac-
cused him of being there for unlawful pur-
poses, gave him a severe thrashing and
endeavored to extort money from him.
He contrived to get away and gave informa-
tion at the Old Hatten's Yamen. The man
and woman were arrested and were sen-
tenced, the former to £500; the latter to
£200; and afterwards to be both
drummed round the town, with placards
upon them stating their offence, and going
sounding to attract the notice of the popu-
lace.

A proclamation has been recently issued
by the Taotai concerning beggars. It is
noticeable that the Taotai does not object
to begging

Post-Office Notifications.

It is hereby notified for general information that henceforward the Postage chargeable on Book and Packets of Patents addressed to the United States of America transmitted via the United Kingdom will be as follows, viz:—

Via Southampton.
Under 4 ounces, 12 cents.
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces, 24 " "
Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces, 36 " "
Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces, 48 " "
For every additional 4 oz., 12 "

Via Marseilles.
Under 4 ounces, 10 cents.
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces, 32 " "
Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces, 48 " "
Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces, 64 " "
For every additional 4 oz., 16 " "
Prepayment of the Postage is compulsory in each case.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office,
Hongkong, June 18, 1868.

1. It is hereby notified for general information that the Contract between the Government of Mauritius and the Union Steamship Company, for the Conveyance of Mails once a Month between Ceylon and Mauritius, and between Mauritius and Natal, having terminated, the correspondence for Mauritius will be forwarded from this Office in the Mail for Aden, from whence it will be sent to its destination by the French Mail Packet leaving Aden for Reunion and Mauritius on the 23rd of each Month.

2. No alteration has been made in the rates of Postage on correspondence addressed to Mauritius.

3. As the communication with Natal and the Cape of Good Hope is thus cut off, the correspondence for those Colonies, unless marked to be forwarded by Private Ship, will, in future, be sent in the Mails for London at the following rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, viz:—

Upon Letters sent by way of Southampton, 46 cents each 1/2 oz.
When sent by way of Marseilles, 54 " "
Newspaper via Southampton, 4 " "
Newspapers via Marseilles, 6 " "
Book Packets via Southampton, 10 " "
Under 4 oz., 20 cents; above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz., 20 cents for every additional 4 oz.
Book Packets via Marseilles, 14 cents under 4 oz.; 28 cents above for and not exceeding 8 oz.; and 28 cents for every additional 8 ounces.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office, Hongkong,
9th September, 1868.

1.—On the 1st October next, and henceforward Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £10, at the rate of Exchange Current for each Mail, and charged with Commission according to the following Scale, viz:—

For sums not exceeding £2, 12 " "
Above £2 and not exceeding £5, 24 " "
" 5 " " £10, 42 " "
" 10 " " £20, 48 " "
" 20 " " £50, 54 " "
" 50 " " £100, 60 " "

2.—No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.

3.—Orders drawn in the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of Exchange at which Money Orders are being issued at the time of their presentation.

4.—Alphabetical Lists of over 3,700 Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom, showing the Counties in which they are situated, are being up for public reference at this Office, and also at Shanghai and Yokohama.

5.—Applicants for Money Orders must furnish, in full, the surname, and, at least, the initial of one Christian name, both of the Remitter and the Payee; if the Remitter or Payee be a Peer or a Bishop, his ordinary title will be sufficient; if a firm, the usual designation of such firm, such as "Baring Brothers" will suffice; but the mere term Messrs, such as "Messrs. Livingston" or the name of a Company trading under a title which does not consist of the names of the persons composing it, such as "Carron Co." is inadmissible.

6.—The Remitter on stating that the Order is to be paid only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Payee; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

7.—When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by any person will be sufficient, provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some Person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

8.—The signature of the Payee of a Money Order to be affixed to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who pays the Order.

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be intended to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order mislaid or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, (containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission) to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a similar application orders will be given to stop payment.

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of a Money Order, or to renew a lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected, or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it have reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

15.—If an Order be not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn,—for instance, if drawn in January and not paid before the end of the following January—all claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If, however, the payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he see fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command,
F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1868.

Docks.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Eight call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st March next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE N. MINTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1868. marl

FOOCHOW GRANITE FLOORED DOCK.

THE above Dock has been in full working order for the last four years. Length 300 feet, width at bottom 40 feet, depth of water on the sill, springs, average 17 feet, neaps 14 feet. The Dock in ordinary Tides runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam.

For further particulars as to the price of cooping, &c., &c., apply to
F. D. TILLINGHAM, Esq., Messrs De Silve & Co., Hongkong; Messrs Bohn & Co., Shanghai; or to the Undersigned.

In connection with the above is the powerful Twin Screw Tug "WOODSUNG," Vessels requiring the services of this Tug either from Matsou (where a splendid anchorage will be found under the S. W. monsoon) or from the White Bogs, can obtain them at moderate rates, on application to

JOHN C. SKEY,
Manager.

Pagoda Anchorage, River Min.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE Company respectfully call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees and Masters of Vessels, to their Establishment at Hongkong and Whampoa, for the DOCKING and REPAIRING of Vessels of all classes.

At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the harbour,—a Granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit Ships of 360 feet in length, and drawing 22 feet of water.

Attached to it there are Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, Boiler-makers and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the Repairs of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.

The Company have also opened a Shipyard by the side of the Hongkong Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

At Whampoa the Company have four Docks, in which they will take Ships at reduced rates.

The Steam Tug "LITTLE ORPHAN" can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For particulars, apply to
JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.

Or to
A. D. MITCHELL,
Manager of Works.

Company's Office, H. kong. Hotel Building,
Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

Insurance.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.
Incorporated 1869.
CAPITAL—£1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
ESTABLISHED 1838.

CAPITAL £500,000.
Managing Agents in China, — Messrs. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Hongkong. Medical Referee, — J. IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Managing Agents in China.
Hongkong, June, 1867.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine Risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, March 5, 1868.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Malabar, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, provision will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information apply to
ARNHOLD KARBBERG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

JAVA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents at Hongkong and Canton for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks at current rates.

ARNHOLD KARBBERG & Co.
Hongkong, July 27, 1868. 27jan-69

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged on short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

ARNHOLD KARBBERG & Co.,
Agents, Lancashire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, April 14, 1868.

PHOENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON & GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 28, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE Co.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company at the Ports of Tientsin and Kiangsu, are prepared to Grant Policies of MARINE INSURANCE at current rates.

DODD & Co.
Tientsin, 10th August, 1868. tf

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £80,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, August 24, 1864. tf

NOTICE.

IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurances, viz:—

Detached and Semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, 1 per cent.

Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1 per cent.

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, March 6, 1866.

Insurance.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY AND FORBES & CO.'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM. Detached and semi-detached Dwelling-Houses removed from Town, and their Contents, 1 per cent.

Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1 per cent.

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.
Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company,
Hongkong, March 9, 1866.

NOTICE.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged in Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company,
Hongkong, April 7, 1866.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000

ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,233,927.

ANNUAL REVENUE £497,263.

THE Undersigned AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868. tf

NOTICE.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 per cent.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Agents.
Hongkong, April 8, 1868

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

LIFE ASSURANCE.

THE Undersigned are authorised to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding £5,000.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868. tf

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation are prepared to grant Fire and Marine Insurance on the usual Terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, December 26, 1867.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE following rates will in future be charged for Short Period Insurances:

One month, 1/2 per cent.
Three months, 2/3 " "
Six months, 3/4 " "

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.

Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 2/3 " "

Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " "

Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

Insurance.

ALLIANCE FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date, the following rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Insurance Company,
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

NOTICE.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at the current Rates. Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the World.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, November 7, 1867.

NOTICE.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 of the annual rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full annual rate.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents the Queen Insurance Company,
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.

PAID UP CAPITAL, \$500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and China for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies at Current Rates.

OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, August 9, 1867.

NOTICE.

GUARDIAN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1821.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company for Hongkong and Canton are prepared to grant Policies at current rates.

OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

FIRE AND LIFE.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

(LIFE DEPARTMENT.)

£2 per Cent. per Annum Bonus declared during the last Fifteen Years on all Profit participating Policies of Two Years' standing.

The utmost liberality practised in the settlement of all Claims, with the representation of deceased Assureds.

An Assurance for any sum not exceeding £1000 can be effected with the Undersigned without referring to Head-quarters.

By special authority of the Board, Claims are settled at once by the Undersigned without reference to England.

Fees to Medical Referees paid by the Company.

No forfeiture of Policy from unintentional mis-statement.

Premiums payable Half-yearly or Annually at the option of the Assured.

Annual Premiums for an Assurance of £100 for the whole term of Life, including £2 10s. per Cent. for Foreign Risk, which will be deducted during a visit to or a permanent resident in Europe.—

Age.

Without Participation.

With Participation.

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tents of this Book:—

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dras, Bombay.
10.—English and French Weights, &c.
11.—United States of America.

- CHAP. VII.—SEC. 1 TO 6.
Tables on Prices, Exchanges, &c.

- 1.—Comparison of Prices.
2.—Relating to Exchanges.
3.—Relating to Time.
4.—Comparison of Weights.
5.—Measurement of Cargo.
6.—Bullion Operations.

APPENDIX.—Containing Sailing Direc-
tions for the Coast of China, and for the
Japan Islands; also giving the meanings of
Chinese Words occurring in Charts and
Sailing Directions; and also a Table of Po-
sitions of places on the Chinese and Japa-
nese Coasts.

The author in his Preface says:—"The
tables in Chap. VII., for estimating prices,
measurement of goods, exchanges, &c. have
been selected from those constantly in use
among the foreign merchants in China.
Those for calculating the prices of tea in
dollars or pence have been copied from the
more extended tables by the kind permis-
sion of the author, P. Loureiro, Esq. The
last section of the same chapter on "Move-
ments in Bullion," has been prepared and
furnished for the Guide by Patrick R.
Harper, Esq., of the Commercial Bank of
India at Hongkong, who has had much ex-
perience in the exchanges and movements
of the precious metals in Eastern Asia."
The Appendix of Sailing Directions has
been reprinted from the "China Pilot."
With short interruptions, the coast from
Singapore to Hakodadi are all described in
it, and for the Chinese coasts, the Direc-
tions have been improved by the insertion
of the Chinese characters for the names of
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VESSELS LOADING.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Consignees.
CHINA & JAPAN PORTS—			
AMOI	Car. & Ita	N. G. bk.	Wm. Pustau & Co
NINGPO	Colima	N. G. bk.	Wm. Pustau & Co
Do.	Mobil	N. G. bk.	Bourjau, Hubner & Co
YOKOHAMA	Shaftebury	Ru. str.	Landstein & Co
Do.	Sultan	Br. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co
Do.	Ellen Morris	Br. bk.	Bourjau, Hubner & Co
Do.	Kedar	Br. bk.	Douglas Laprak & Co
NAGASAKI	O. of Niagara	Br. str.	Landstein & Co
OTHER PORTS—			
LONDON	Kelso	Br. bk.	Jardine, Matheson & Co
Do.	Roelin Castle	Am. bk.	Olyphant & Co
Do.	Sterling	Am. bk.	Olyphant & Co
Do.	Louisa	Br. bk.	Russell & Co
HAMBURG	Glensia	Br. bk.	Arnold, Karberg & Co
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY	Joshua Bates	Br. bk.	Rosario & Co
SYDNEY	Melrose	Br. bk.	John Burd & Co
SAN FRANCISCO	Marie	N. G. bk.	Russell & Co
Do.	Golden Horn	Br. bk.	Russell & Co
SINGAPORE	Albatross	N. G. bk.	Heard & Co
BOMBAY	Despatch	Am. bk.	John Burd & Co
Do.	Chloris	N. G. bk.	Arnold, Karberg & Co
CALCUTTA, &c.	John & Mary	Br. bk.	Douglas Laprak & Co
Do.	T. A. Gibb	Br. str.	Jardine, M. & Co
Do.	Glensia	Br. bk.	Jardine, M. & Co
MADRAS	N. Castle	Br. bk.	Jardine, M. & Co
BANGKOK	Lyeemoon	Br. bk.	Burrows & Co
Do.	Whitehall	Br. bk.	Holliday, Wise & Co
SAIGON	Edith Banfield	Br. bk.	Arnold, Karberg & Co
Do.	Gipsy	Br. bk.	Bourjau, Hubner & Co
Do.	J. Mathilde	N. G. bk.	Siemens & Co
Do.	Stanley	Br. bk.	Arnold, Karberg & Co
SURINAM	Omha	Br. bk.	John Burd & Co
Do.	Veritas	Br. bk.	Turner & Co
HAVANA	Viola	Ru. str.	Landstein & Co
MOULMAIN	Cutwater	Am. bk.	Olyphant & Co
Do.	Garibaldi	Br. bk.	John Burd & Co

* At Whampoa.

† At Canton.

MEN-OF-WAR IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Comd.	Tonn.	Captain.
Bouncer	British	gun-boat	3	230	Rodney-Lloyd, Lt. C.
Drake	British	gun-boat	3	230	in ordinary.
Flamer	British	naval hospital	—	230	Attached to Melville.
Grasshopper	British	gun-boat	3	230	In ordinary.
Hardy	British	gun-boat	3	230	In ordinary.
Leven	British	gun-vessel	3	300	Orford S. Cameron Lt. Comr.
Moonase	British	Military Hospital	—	2501	Hospital ship
Melville	British	naval hospital	—	—	Geo. B. Hill, D.I.C.
Princess Charlotte	British	receiving ship	14	2443	Commodore Oliver J. Jones
Upadilla	U. States	gun-boat	5	880	C. Hatfield, Lieut. Comr.

CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Comd.	Tonn.	Captain.
An-lan	Chinese	gun-vessel	7	221	Godall
Chen-to	Chinese	gun-vessel	7	221	Edwards
Ching-tung	Chinese	gun-boat	4	—	Bessard
Chin-bai	Chinese	gun-boat	6	—	Deind
Kai-loong	Chinese	gun-boat	5	—	Francis
Spy	Chinese	gun-boat	3	—	Pointer
Sui-tung	Chinese	gun-boat	5	180	Stewart
Tien-po	Chinese	gun-boat	6	—	de Longueville

HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON

STEAMERS.

Vessel.	Flag.	Tonn.	Captain.	Owners or Agents.
Dragon	British	117	Stephenson	P. & O. S. N. Co
Fame, (110 h. power)	Do.	380	Stephenson	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Fire Dart	Do.	380	Stephenson	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kin Shai	Do.	450	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kin Kiang	Do.	450	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Linlin	Do.	60	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Little Orphan	Do.	46	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Poyang	Do.	379	Oary	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Prince Albert	Do.	180	Oary	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Sir J. Jejeebhoy	Do.	101	Oary	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Spark	Do.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co
Spec	Do.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co
White Cloud	British	280	Carroll	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug

* Repairing at Hongkong.

SHIPPING IN HARBOUR

HONGKONG.

Consignees of Vessels will greatly oblige by forwarding corrections of
errors in the following list.

Exclusive of To-day's Arrivals, Departures, and Clearances.

On Pedder's Wharf.—W.C., from Pedder's Wharf to Gibb's Wharf.—W., Westward of Gibb's Wharf.—E.C., on Pedder's
Wharf to the Military Hospital.—E., Eastward of the Hospital.—K., on Kowloon side.

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tonn.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
1868.							
STEAMERS							
Adeline	W C Schutt	N. Ger. sch.	135	Dec.	4 Wm. Pustau & Co	San Francisco	
Albatross	W Oaken	N. Ger. bk.	650	Dec.	12 A. Heard & Co		
Alida	W Oaken	Dan. bg.	230	Dec.	4 Melchers & Co		
Allendale	W Gray	Brit. bk.	450	Dec.	13 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Anne	E Patrie	Brit. sch.	304	Nov.	22 John Burd & Co		put back
Arc-en-Ciel	E Lappartion	Fch. bk.	237	Dec.	10 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Batavia	W Hartzar	N. Ger. bk.	466	Nov.	29 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Candace	W Meinschien	N. Ger. sch.	233	Dec.	3 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Canton	E Gott	N. Ger. bk.	235	Dec.	8 Siemens & Co		
Callao	E Lavarello	Salv. sh.	1440	Nov.	17 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Carmelita and Ita	W Jonson	N. Ger. bk.	400	Nov.	20 Wm. Pustau & Co	Amoy	
Catharina Maria	E Brendts	Dut. bk.	350	Dec.	4 Borneo Company		
Chius and Havane	E Robert	Fch. bk.	715	Nov.	14 Order		
Chloris	W C Leund	N. Ger. bk.	300	Nov.	20 Arnold, Karberg & Co	Bombay	
City of Niagara	W Mitchell	Brit. sch.	102	Nov.	27 Landstein & Co	Nagasaki	
Contest	W Reynolds	Siam. bk.	380	Nov.	26 Chinese		
Cutwater	W Orulman	Amer. sh.	935	Dec.	8 Olyphant & Co	Moulmain	
Dart	W Stuart	Amer. sch.	80	Dec.	12 A. Heard & Co		
Despatch	E Jones	Amer. bk.	173	Dec.	4 John Burd & Co	Singapore	
Douglas	W Morrison	Brit. sh.	540	Nov.	26 Bosman & Co	San Francisco	put back
Dunkeld	W C Tams	Brit. sh.	689	Dec.	18 Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Edith Banfield	E Mitchell	Brit. bk.	390	Dec.	6 Arnold, Karberg & Co	Saigon	
Ellen Morris	W Sillick	Brit. bk.	194	Dec.	8 Bourjau, Hubener & Co	Yokohama	
Esak	W Nobbs	Brit. bk.	404	Dec.	11 Russell & Co		
Evening Star	W Young	Siam. bk.	414	Dec.	9 Chinese		
Fortune	W Dobrosen	Siam. bk.	447	Nov.	23 Chinese		
Friedrich	K Tuten	N. Ger. bk.	233	Dec.	14 Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Friendship	W Kindt	Siam. bk.	480	Nov.	29 Chinese		
Garibaldi	E Bouff	Brit. sh.	825	Nov.	26 John Burd & Co	Moulmain	
Genesee Bros	E Groenwold	N. Ger. bk.	400	Dec.	4 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Gipsy	E Siemens	Brit. bk.	255	Nov.	20 Bourjau, Hubener & Co	Saigon	
Golden Horn	E Rice	Brit. sh.	1140	October	28 Russell & Co	San Francisco	Early
Goliath	W Silva	Siam. bk.	543	August	19 Chinese		
Handy	W Hanson	Siam. sh.	543	Nov.	22 Chinese		
Iris	W C Horn	N. Ger. sch.	191	Dec.	4 Order		
Jan Van Galen	E Goan	Dut. bg.	376	Nov.	30 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Japan	W Keferstein	N. Ger. sch.	231	Dec.	15 Siemens & Co		
Johanna	W Slicman	N. Ger. bk.	200	Dec.	11 E. Schellhaas & Co		
Johanna Mathilde	W Lohse	N. Ger. bk.	600	Nov.	14 Siemens & Co	Saigon	
John & Mary	W C Galy	Brit. sh.	190	Dec.	9 Douglas Laprak & Co	Bombay	
Joshua Bates	W Devlin	Brit. sh.	560	Nov.	9 Rosario & Co	Melbourne and Sydney	
Kedar	W C Cowie	Brit. bk.	532	Dec.	4 Douglas Laprak & Co	Yokohama	
Latona	E Williams	Brit. bk.	238	Dec.	7 Arnold Karberg & Co		
Leen Fa	W C Collinson	Brit. bk.	426	October	10 Order		
Lucky	W Loop	Siam. bk.	426	Dec.	4 Chinese		
Lyeemoon	E Sorensen	Brit. bk.	425	Nov.	27 Burrows & Co	Bangkok	
Lytleton	W Beck	Brit. sh.	685	Dec.	12 Olyphant & Co		
Macao	E Marales	Salv. sh.	222	Nov.	27 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Maggie	E Bowman	Brit. sch.	222	Nov.	28 Order		put back
Malvina Vidal	E Kasal	N. Ger. sh.	650	Nov.	21 Siemens & Co		
Mario	N. Ger. bk.	218	Nov.	23	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Mario	K Klucke	N. Ger. bk.	460	Nov.	27 Russell & Co	San Francisco	Early
Martha	E Hajo	N. Ger. bk.	221	Nov.	29 Melchers & Co		put back
Melrose	E Kindred	Brit. bk.	287	Dec.	5 John Burd & Co	Sydney	
Merida	W Valbortie	N. Ger. bk.	250	October	26 A. Heard & Co	New York	Immediate
Milton	W Smith	Brit. sh.	1254	Dec.	1 Order		
Mongal	W C Coorbe	Fch. sh.	1064	Nov.	14 Order		
Naiaden	E Nielsen	Norw. sch.	237	Dec.	4 John Burd & Co		
Naworth Castle	E Linklater	Brit. bk.	343	Nov.	22 Jardine, Matheson & Co	Madras	
Neptune	W Bronell	Brit. bk.	287	Dec.	13 R. S. Walker & Co		
Neva	K Onate	Russ. sh.	1400	October	28 Landstein & Co		
Nina	K Mesquita	Port. sh.	1099	August	26 Birley & Co		For sale
Nunau	E Hager	Hawa. sch.	150	Nov.	26 Melchers & Co	Yokohama	put back
Ocean	E Nyrnes	Fch. bk.	528	Nov.	5 Russell & Co		
Omha	W C Thomson	Brit. sh.	836	October	6 John Burd & Co	Surinam	Immediate
Omar Pasha	W Mayer	Brit. bk.	350	Dec.	14 Chinese		
Paraco	W C Soule	Amer. bk.	540	October	30 Bosman & Co		
Pekin	W C Seymour	Amer. bk.	505	Dec.	3 Olyphant & Co		
Princess Seraphi	W Kofod	Siam. bk.	454	Nov.	10 Chinese		
Race Horse	W Krus	Siam. sh.	387	Nov.	23 Chinese		
Rapid	W Carlos	Siam. bk.	420	Nov.	23 Chinese		
Red Deer	W C Spence	Brit. sh.	694	Dec.	7 Gilman & Co		
San Lorenzo	W Ledesma	Span. bg.	220	Dec.	3 Remedios & Co		
Sirene	W C Classon	N. Ger. bk.	234	Dec.	12 Gilman & Co		
Sophie	W Ohlin	N. Ger. bg.	221	Dec.	14 Order		
Stanley	W C Daughy	Brit. bk.	384	Nov.	23 Arnold, Karberg & Co	Saigon	
Stirlingshire	W McCulloh	Brit. bk.	649	Dec.	13 Japtain		
Taffarette	W C Roobar	Fch. bk.	390	Nov.	28 Russell & Co		
Tekli	E Koor	N. Ger. bk.	350	Nov.	21 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Ulysses	E Chauvelon	Fch. bk.	312	Dec.	20 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Uranus	W Schoof	N. Ger. bk.	363	Nov.	30 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Veritas	W Ingram	Brit. sh.	632	October	7 Turner & Co	Surinam	Early
Ville de Grenade	W Carrigue	Fch. bk.	269	Dec.	13 Landstein & Co		
Vintula	W Purkitt	Russ. sh.	535	Nov.	2 Landstein & Co	Havana	
Whitehall	W C Marsh	Brit. sh.	996	Nov.	22 Holliday, Wise & Co	Bangkok	
Zephyr	E Oostrum	Dut. bk.	490	Dec.	4 Russell & Co		